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KNOWLEDGE IS—WHAT?

(By H. C. Grumbine.)

Whenever, in college administration, the old order changeth, giving place to new, there is special occasion for taking stock. At such times there appears a natural and laudable disposition to revert to fundamentals. Such questions are asked as, What is education? What is its purpose? The answers, as is to be expected, vary according to locality and time. Chronologically arranged, they serve well as an index to the progress of man since the kindling of the first spark of reason. The history of education is a record of mental and moral development; and, as John Fiske well says, is as certain proof of evolution as Darwin's "Origin of Species."

Educational ideals, then, have been known to change, and, it is to be hoped, in the direction of improvement. So has educational practice, presumably also in the same general direction. The growth of educational standard is, we may say, reflective of or productive of the development of opinion; and, taking the whole field of the history of opinion into account, we note two distinct but contradictory tendencies governing the lives, both temporal and spiritual, of men. The first tendency was to revere authority. The second is to revere facts.

The first tendency began to die out with the close of the Middle Ages, known justly as the Dark Ages. The second tendency began to assert itself with the beginning of the Renaissance and its inevitable corollary, the Reformation. Then it was that Science, of which we make so much in our modern education, first raised her head from the welter of human thought; and now it is that she has almost, if not quite, emerged, a goddess more beautiful and wise than Athena. With the accession of this divinity to Olympus the character of education has taken on a new aspect, which, when compared with the old, exhibits almost as great a contrast and unlikeness as that which marks the difference between the anthropoid ape and his reputed successor, primeval man. Her face is radiant with the beauty of truth; and she has, as we have seen, resolutely turned away from the authority of tradition to the authority of facts.

Among the first of her English votaries was Francis Bacon, whom she gave a new key, or rather the only key, to unlock the treasures of knowledge. Bacon called it induction. It is the process which parts company with authority and questions phenomena for truth. It scrutinizes par-

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IRVING HALL IN THE OLD BUILDING

NEWS ITEMS.

Mr. Samuel Douglas, field secretary of the University, is greatly improved. He has already secured some strong contributions towards the endowment, since he has been able to leave home.

Jos. Fewsmith spent Thanksgiving at his home in Cleveland.

Prof. Cleve Ricksecker spent Thanksgiving at his home near Mt. Eaton. He had planned to come to Wooster on Friday but on account of "bad roads" was compelled to postpone his visit. You must remember, however, that "she" lives only a short distance from "Rick's" home, so if you are sharp, you can readily guess why he was not at Wooster this week.

We understand that "Hug" Evans was somewhat excited over the reference to "a member of '09 who entered Princeton Seminary last year, not the eastern editor, appeared to be more interested in 'one person' than the Princeton eleven," which appeared on the Alumni page some time ago.

Dick Douglas is working on the principle that a "little" fussing is good even for a busy man.

Miss Sarah Scott was heartily welcomed back to Wooster during the Thanksgiving recess. She is one of the most prominent members of the illustrious class of '09.

Clarence Johnson was back during the Thanksgiving recess. Holden Hall, as in the case of many others, seemed very attractive.

We received a most interesting card from Walter Peck. He can't say enough nice things about Wooster.

ILLNESS OF DR. SCOVEL.

Dr. Sylvester F. Scovel, famous through the world as scholar and reformer, is at the present time in a very critical condition at his Wooster home. He has been greatly overworked during the last two or three weeks, preparing for the great international reform conference which was held at Philadelphia last week, and of which he is president. Besides presiding at these meetings, which were addressed by famous men of several continents, he had to prepare several great lectures which he delivered to large popular gatherings. This meant sleepless nights and the hardest kind of mental labor. The strain was too much and a weakening of the heart preceeded a severe attack of double pneumonia. Owing to his advanced age, his condition is very critical and little hope is entertained for his recovery. The entire country is joining with the faculty and students of Wooster University in prayer, that if it be God's will, this great and grand servant of Christ might be spared for many more years of service.

He is called "The grand old man of Wooster." His popularity among the students is unbounded. As preacher, scholar and reformer his equal can scarcely be found in the nation. Wooster has been greatly blessed by his years of self-sacrificing service, and his will be an incalculable loss to our beloved University and the great cause of the church throughout the world. We pray for his recovery, but if it be God's will to call him home we must join in the prayer which he has often prayed, "Thy will Oh, Lord, not ours, be done."

Dr. Holden Secures \$57,000 For University.

Fifty-seven thousand more, towards the \$600,000 endowment, was the glad news announced by Dr. Holden in Chapel on Monday. There now remains but \$27,000 to raise. The student body greeted this good news with immense applause.

Fred Collins talks to more girls over the telephone than any man in Wooster. Their conversation usually ends with a box of candy or pint of ice cream.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steele of Akron spent Sunday with the parents of Mrs. Steele on Bever street. They were the guests of Prof. and Mrs. Lean at lunch on Saturday evening.

What will belome of the "dates" when Odenkirk's fish pond is gone, and the little wicker house has given place to a busy city thoroughfare.

Miss Holly went to Cleveland on Friday for a short visit.

Miss Elizabeth Sidwell of Mechanicstown was a visitor at Wooster last week.

Clyde Waugh is persuing his studies at O. S. U. this year.

The Preps have a debating team that will meet the Orrville High school in a short time. This is the proper spirit, and one that will help the Academy as well as the individual students. Ask "Dickie" how he likes it.

The men on the Prep foot ball team must maintain a grade of 80 per cent in order to play.

Supt. Geo. Jacot of Creston was in Wooster last week. Jacot is a man of ability and sterling character.

Wilder Ellis, '10, who is studying medicine in Reserve was in town on Saturday and Sunday.

W. W. Giffin, '10, was back several days during vacation visiting with friends. He reports a prosperous season in teaching and foot ball this fall.

Ricksecker, '10, Frye, '09, and Snell, ex-'12, also took the opportunity to visit friends in Wooster.

It is said that Waprenburg '09, was in town but he spent so much of his time in Bloomington that very few saw him.

Miss Hope Perry was seen in chapel Sunday.

Sad But True.

Lives of flunkers, all remind us,
We may flunk while we are here
And departing leave behind us
Goose eggs on the Register.—Ex.

"Oh no, not yet! You know what a long time these insurance companies take to pay!"—Munich Simplicissimus.

Farewell Ode to Football

Kick'em, bite'em, sis! boom! bah!
 Send the doctor bill to pa,
 Leven, forty, eighty-two,
 Look out, Bill, he's coming through,
 Bust his ribs and break his neck;
 Gee, kid, I'm a lovely wreck;
 Blow the whistle, call the doc,
 The quarterback has lost his sock;
 Buck the tackle; five to gain;
 Gosh! my collarbone does pain;
 Fourteen, ninety, twenty-four,
 Kick'em in the nose once more,
 Honest, Buck, now ain't this great?
 Cave his slats with all your weight,
 Kick'em bite'em, sis! boom! bah!
 Ship my coffin back to ma.

—Exchange

FOOTBALL STILL HOLDS FORTH.

Hottest Games of the Season Yet to Be Played.

The most blood thirsty, spectacular and nerve racking contests that have ever taken place on the local gridiron, will be pulled off next Thursday and Saturday afternoons. The first contest will find the Beta Theta Pi team, the hill top terrors, and the Phi Gamma Delta's, otherwise known as the Human Satapults locked in deadly embrace and fighting tooth and nail for the championship of Stibbs Boulevard. The second game will take place between the old rivals, namely, the Freshmen and Sophomores, the winner to challenge Buchtel College to play a game to decide the championship of the world.

The proceeds of these games will go toward the fund which is being raised to procure sweaters for the Varsity team. Every student should be anxious and glad to contribute the small sum of 15 cents to help boost this fund as this is only one of the small ways in which appreciation can be shown to the men who have fought for Wooster during the past season. In view of this fact, and the added pleasure of a red hot football game, a large crowd is expected to attend both contests. This is the last chance to get in solid before SHE leaves for the Christmas holidays. All dates will be accorded a royal welcome by the gate keeper.

Post Season Football Kicklets.

Seven members of this season's varsity team are Sophomores. Look out for Wooster next year.

Capt. Elder, Ken Johnson and Herb Mackintosh have played their last game for Wooster. No one has

ever upheld the "Black and Gold" on the gridiron more valiantly or honorably than these men. They have worked hard and faithfully to give their best for the cause and it is with deep regret that we give up these men who would be a credit to any college in the country.

The present rules will be modified to some extent in the near future.

Now that the season is closed, the anti-football comedians will come into the limelight for their share of publicity.

Oberlin won the Ohio championship for the second successive season.

Buchtel is claiming the world's championship.

"Skiv" Cameron's work this fall in the capacity of football manager and substitute end, has been high class in every respect. He scored the first touchdown of the season against a conference team and also set a precedent for future managers.

Billy White's Reserves have been on the job all fall and deserve an immense amount of credit for their conscientious work in giving the Varsity first class practice. Billy's congenial smile and stentorian voice has also rendered valuable assistance from the side-lines.

The present football slogan which is very popular in the local camp, runs as follows: "I love my baked potatoes and toast but O you turkey and mince pie."

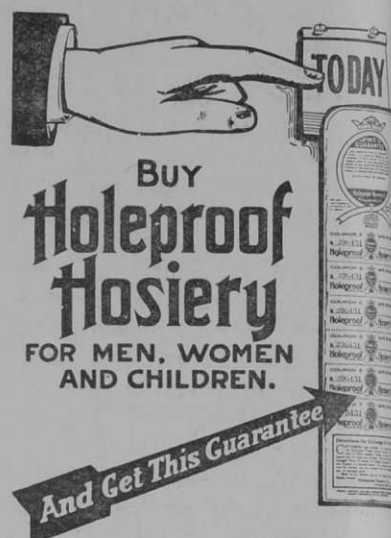
Basketball.

Competition during the coming interclass basketball series, bids fair to be of the keenest variety. Practice has commenced in earnest and the members of the teams are eagerly looking forward to the coming contests.

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the different classes to get together and give their representatives every encouragement for the coming series. There is nothing like good hearty support from the sidelines to encourage the players and make them put up the best game of which they are capable. A good wholesome enthusiasm is what we want at Wooster and every member of the respective classes is expected to attend the games and give his or her belated their unstinted support.

Season tickets will be on sale this week and can be procured from Grad. Mgr. Knight or Mgr. Fewsmith.

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Supt. O. K. Lehman, '07, is well started in the work of his fourth year as superintendent of the Marshallville schools. Among other tokens of appreciations, a handsome addition to his salary this year was no means the least appreciated.

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Knowledge Is—What

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particulars and deduces conclusions from them, relying largely, if not wholly, upon common sense and experience, or upon common sense as taught by experience.

It is the purpose of these paragraphs to show what education should be, and the way taken to do this is to show what education is for. If Francis Bacon was right, the purpose of education is to interpret the meaning of facts—not to substitute any gossamer fabrications of the imagination for it. This is practical; and being practical, it is satisfying to man's spiritual needs as nothing else can be. The purpose of education is knowledge, and the domain of knowledge is the knowable, the limits of which can be set up by no finite intelligence. To be at home in that country is to be conversant with the phenomena of life in all its manifold parts. But as the known, even at this early day, stretches over so wide a territory that no man can hope to explore the whole of it in his own brief lifetime, the individual does the next best thing, if he is wise, and makes conquest of a section thereof such as is suited to his capacities and practical needs. The rest he takes more or less for granted from the lips of men whom he deems as intelligent, honest, and truthful as himself, or whom, if he is not vain, he is willing to regard a little more intelligent but not a whit more honest and truthful. So we have our professors of this, that, and the other thing; our professional men of all sorts from the mechanical engineer to the doctor of medicine; and our business men from the milk-huckster to the oil-baron.

It was Francis Bacon who first said, "Knowledge is power;" and so many people have said it since his day that, like many catchwords and phrases, this expression has come to mean almost nothing and well nigh everything. How fond many persons nowadays are of asserting that education is for power; and then they go on somewhat after this fashion:

"One goes to a university to gain not knowledge, but power; not to learn to know things but to learn to do things." Which, being interpreted, doubtless is to be taken to mean: One goes to a university for power in social intercourse; therefore be assiduous in cultivating your club, your fraternity, your choir. One goes to a university for power of body and such power of mind as can belong only to a strong body; ergo, cultivate faithfully your athletic teams and sports. One goes to college for power in public affairs; consequently you must do your best to win a place on the debating squads, and not only accept but force every opportunity to "stuntify" in public. One goes to college for power as a leader in the scuffle of life: get elected to all the

offices possible; you may want to run for Congress later. And, finally, since one goes to a university not to learn to know things, do not take the professors and the lecture-rooms too seriously; it is only for unpractical persons and old fogies to know anything; remember that in the struggle of existence and the survival of the fitties, "those who can, do, while those who can't, teach."

It is humiliating to reason and an insult to the spirit of scholarship that such views should be propounded by many "educators" with the lamentable result we know. In the first place, it is humiliating to reason. For the necessary deduction that the ability to do things well rests upon any other condition than a knowledge of things as they are, is so gross a fallacy as to turn one's stomach. Yes, one can rather easily acquire power in doing things; but the momentous question is to do them with decency and in order,—to do things right. Proverbially, a bull in a china shop can do much. And the great trouble with the sick world has ever been and is now that most things have been done not from lack of power or even skill, but from ignorance. Do charlatans and quacks flourish? And why?

Consequently, in the Church we have false prophets; in medicine, monstrous impostors who prey upon the sufferings of their kind; in business, gold bricks and bunco-steerers; in education, shallow time-servers; in literature, servile penny-a-liners spinning (most glibly and felicitously, it is true) their web of "words, words, words," which are "like two grains of wheat hid in two bushels of chaff: you must hunt all day ere you find them, and, when you have found them, they are not worth the search." So it happens that in the forum and on the platform, instead of oratory, there is the gift of the gab; that in society there is no conversation, but gabble, dished up with giggle and gobble; and in colleges, instead of ideas, philosophy, and the truth; there is cant, insincerity, and a certain sort of adroitness and urbanity promulgating cut-and-dried programs rather for the amusement of youth than

for their serious discipline in the most momentous and practical business of conquering ignorance, disease (physical and spiritual), and death.

In the second place, if the university is not for knowledge, where in the world is it to be taught? In a subsidized press? In a pulpit which subsists upon the whims and prejudices of its congregation? In the market, where truth is just as much the subject of barter as honor?

This article has no quarrel with those who honestly strive to do things according to the light they have; but it most emphatically insists on the impossibility of divorcing ideas from conduct; the folly, if not the crime, of doing things, however skillfully and felicitously, in a mistaken way; and the insanity of preaching that knowledge is not power, but something else. On the other hand, this article unequivocally places itself in line with the German who goes to camp with a university diploma in his knapsack in the firm faith that ministers will compete for the services of the man with ideas; and it unreservedly subscribes to the doctrine of Thomas Carlyle, that the King is the man who knows and is entitled to rule by virtue, pre-eminently, of his knowledge.

"Knowledge is power," and power is knowledge; and "truth, crushed to the earth, will rise again," not by virtue of a smug and smirking dilettantism, but through the conquering might of sound ideas.

"Ignorance is the curse of God, knowledge the wing wherewith we fly to Heaven."

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AN EXCEPTIONAL TREAT.

All the missionary offsprings who
were fortunate enough to be in
Wooster Thanksgiving day, assemb-
led in the banquet hall Thursday eve-
ning, and enjoyed a generous treat
at the hands of Mrs. Kennedy.

At six o'clock the 75 guests sat
down to the tables, and partook of
the elegant repast as copiously as
the respective noon-day meals would
permit. After everyone was satis-
fied the chains were pushed back,
and a series of most brilliant toasts
were delivered.

Mr. "Jahn" Moore opened opera-
tions with a masterful treatise on
the subject, "Thankful for more." Bertha Wishard and Douglas C. Avison, both demonstrated very ably by word and appearance the topic, Missionary Short-comings. While Swan asserted in realistic fashion "An Inkie's life is the Life for Me." That the missionaries were indispensable to the very existence and activity of the Preparatory Department was brought out forcefully by Marion Fulton under the topic, "Prep without the Missionaries." But never were more scathing reproaches cast upon the defenseless heads of the fair sex, than was done by a small figure standing on a chair, and bearing the name of Howard Campbell, as he coined his opinions on "Those Girls." While the salient subject of "Missionary Sociability" was masterfully presented by J. M. Goheen.

The whole company unanimously extended a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Kennedy, and the remainder of the evening was passed in playing games of various descriptions.

MAIDEN ROSIE

Maiden rosie, take this posie,
Take this posie that I send;
An' my dearie, if you're wearie,
May it consolation lend.

Bonnie lassie, take a tassie,
Fill it fu' o' sparklin' dew;
Tho' it twinkles, tho' it winkles,
It's na half sae fair as you.

In the sparkle an' the darkle
O' your witchin', rare dark een,
There's a glintin' and a tintin'
That I think has ne'er been seen.

In the star-light, o' a spring-night,
With you walkin' by my side,
Ev'ry star-gleam, ev'ry star-beam
Was reflected in their tide.

Times are drearie, times are wearie,
When I'm wand'rin' frae your charms;
But I'm comin', dearie, comin',
Soon to hold you in my arms.

WALDO H. DUNN.

THIS IS WORTH READING.

We are glad to announce, that there will shortly appear in our columns, a series of brief expressions, from many of the prominent alumni, upon the question "What helped me most in my college course," or "Wherein I missed the things that I felt the need of after leaving college." These are not to be merely expressions of regret, for not taking advantage of certain college activities, but they are also to testify concerning the help received from the various things offered here at Wooster.

Every student should be intensely interested in these testimonies from Wooster's most distinguished sons and daughters of former years. These people went through college just like most of us are endeavoring to do. The same opportunities were offered to them as are offered to us, the same temptation to shirk, confronted them as confronts us. But they are now willing to give you the benefit of their experience, so that you might escape their mistakes. The articles will be full of life and interest, and they will be intensely pertinent to present day Wooster. Here is an opportunity for you to become better acquainted with Wooster's alumni, their experiences and their successes. Keep these articles, or rather testimonies, for they will do you good, long after you have left Wooster.

FOR THE SUGGESTION COLUMN.

A casual glance over our students during the hour will convince you

that nearly one-third of them study in Chapel. We have 420 collegiate students; one-third of these number 140. There are about 25 students in the University who are not professing Christians. 140 minus this 25 (who, if any, might be expected to study in Chapel) leaves 115,—the number of those who, professing to be Christians, once took upon themselves the promise to serve God by keeping His commandments and worshipping Him. Now they deliberately take this half hour daily, that has been set for worship of God, to pursue their studies, to raise disturbances, to make our Chapel a place of blatant foolery, rather than a temple of devotion.

If in the mind of any one of the foregoing class there is in any degree whatsoever the smallest justification for his acts, I shall look for his reply in this column next week. If the practice tends to sterling character, to intelligence, to virtue, to courtesy, to any attribute worth cultivating, — then you may have ground for the pernicious habit. If not, and if you are a man or woman of ordinary common sense, you will cease your habit, and do what you can to cleanse our Chapel of this sort of hypocrisy, for I believe the following will stand the test of argument. No CHRISTIAN man or woman will study or raise a disturbance in Chapel. 1913.

ORATORY AND DEBATE.

Interest in Oratory and Debate is at its height. More contestants are taking part than ever before. Better work is being done and more

real ability is being shown at every contest.

The preceeding facts are pleasant and indicative of a healthy and robust growth along the line of forensic pursuits. There are certain other facts however, not so satisfactory that should be considered, and carefully too, by those who are contemplating future work along this line.

In the first place those who enter the oratorical contest wait too long before starting to prepare their orations. That has been the case previous to this year and it is true this year also. It is useless to expect to win a contest, even to do oneself credit, if the writing of the oration has been delayed until three or four weeks before the contest. The state of affairs has not been universally true and yet none of the orators had as much time placed at their disposal as should have been allowed. What has been true in the past however, will not necessarily be true in the future and next year there will be some orations that are in process of mental construction even now. If you are figuring on winning next year, begin now to decide on your subject and think on it and then the result will be a matured production well thought out, seasoned and finished. We want more and longer preparation in the orations and this is our suggestion for the orators.

Now as to the debates—Here again the sun shines brightly but there are a few clouds. One element essential in all public work is confidence in one's own ability. Not the swaggering and superior air of self-confidence that is sometimes seen but just ordinary, plain, old-fashioned confidence is one's ability to do anything that is to be done. This particular quality was lacking in some of the debaters in the preliminary debates and as a result what some times called "cold feet" was the ailment afflicting a few of those who intended to debate, after they had heard some of the older debaters on the floor. The fact that a debater fears he can not do as well as somebody else should not deter him from competing. Of course, he can't, but he can next year. However, unless he practices this year and gets the training that comes from experience he will find next year that he is no better than he is now.

Self confidence is what we want and we want it in more abundance.

THE NEW CATALOGUE.

The new catalogue for the year 1910-1911, is composed and edited in a most admirable manner. The proof reading is almost perfect, and the entire book is arranged in a manner both attractive and convenient. We extend hearty congratulations to Dr. Gable and Prof. Caldwell for their most successful work on behalf of the College Bulletin. We can, to some extent, appreciate their task, and are therefore qualified to speak concerning its success.

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Y. M. C. A.

Although the majority of the students had forsaken Wooster by 6:15 Wednesday evening to spend the Thanksgiving vacation in other parts there were still 45 men remaining to gather in the Y. M. C. A. rooms and spend a pleasant hour in the discussion "What Prayer Means to Us." Arthur Compton led the meeting and several men chose to take part in the discussion that followed his talk. The leader divided man's part in prayer into four divisions, viz.: Supplication, thanksgiving, adoration of God, and confession of sin. God's part,—speaking to our souls in answer to our prayer—he considered the most important part.

Value of prayer to man. In answer to supplication we obtain material benefits and are helped to make right decisions. Confession is the only means of obtaining forgiveness. And it involves a purpose to do better. By adoration and thanksgiving we probably give God much pleasure as he is probably a social creature as man is only with human attributes on up to infinity. He probably enjoys praise as much as we do.

When in communication with God, we receive strength from him. When near to God we receive a happiness greater than any other happiness.

The great value of the meeting was the personal testimonies of the leader and others to the fact that they themselves had experienced the things of which they spoke.

Pres. Pocock announced that there are now 172 members in the student Y. M. C. A.

Y. W. C. A.

The Thanksgiving meeting of Y. W. C. A. was held last Wednesday evening in Willard Hall. Bess Heindel was the leader and used as the topic for consideration, "Our Conversation." The devotional exercises of the hour were entirely on the theme of Thanksgiving, after which the regular subject was taken up. There was much to be said in connection with the broad topic of our intercourse with others, and the leader took the method of suggesting thoughts which were later amplified by the girls themselves. A very general and enthusiastic discussion proved again that the size of the audience does not always give a fair estimate of the interest and inspiration of a meeting. At any rate this was one of the worthwhile Y. W. C. A. gatherings of the year, as any one who was there will promptly attest.

AN INTERESTING LETTER.

I could, if I would, write in red ink, but when you hear my sorrowful tale you will appreciate the delicacy of thought which displayed itself in the choice of ink.

You will no doubt recall the calm peaceful scene as you approached the Gredler estates on your last visit to that one-time rendezvous of wit, eloquence, beauty, and ravening maws; the wind-swept lawns, the shady grove, the wood-pile? That centre of my ambitions, and the family bovine "grazing contentedly on the Gredlerian hills. That faithful family fount of many a blessing in the shape of first aid to Battle Creek breakfast concoctions; that old butter factory whose efforts in the way of annual replicas of her own red plush variety lent piquancy to our correspondence and filled your aged bones with joy.

Know then that in imitation of former successful efforts in the incubator business, and after a milk strike extending over several weeks, Old Plusheimer on last Sunday evening presented the Lord of the Manor with as lively a specimen of her handicraft as you'll find in a days march through Fanuel Hall market. The thoughtfulness of the old churn-feeder in delaying the event until the 28th was remarkable, and added special joy to the occasion inasmuch as I was even at the time celebrating your birthday, in spirit. But list: all went well with mother and offspring for a day, each hour adding strength to the limbs and lustiness to the voice of little Vealer, and raising the hopes of the aemic Gredlers. On Monday noon father went out to the barn and what a sight met his swimming eyes. The youngster had been tied by a fairly long rope, and while its mother lay down, had gambled to the farther side of the mother who, upon rising, stretched the rope over her brawny back, pulled Miss Calf off her feet and when father found her she was quite dead.

In the midst of life we are in death. Is it not so? Imagine my grief upon reaching home. What a tale to tell a man after a hard day's work. But let us glean from this sad event the lessons that no doubt lie hidden therein. Let us refrain from stringing each other, and from getting our back up about every little thing. And let us in the spirit of charity sometimes taken it for granted that not all our friends are rubber-necks. Hanging around drinking places has cost many a life ere this, and as I gazed on the still form of this last victim I made a

mighty resolve that I would henceforth vote for county option, nor cease my efforts until Aldrich, Cannon and all the rest of the bloody mob are driven out forever.

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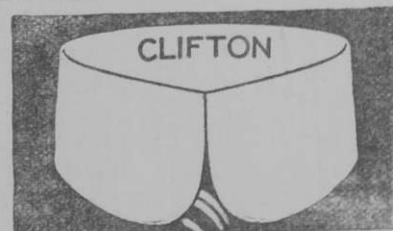
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ALUMNI ITEMS.

Rev. R. M. Houston, '98, of Mansfield, is Chairman of Wooster Presbytery's Missionary Committee, and has arranged for two special meetings, one to be held in Orrville, Dec. 7, and the other in Mansfield, Dec. 8. Distinguished speakers have been secured and the gatherings promise to be of unusual interest.

Bliss G. Elliott, '10, has been in charge of athletics in the Ashland schools in addition to his other teaching duties, and has had the satisfaction of training up a winning team that has suffered no defeat this season.

Among the Wooster Alumni attracted back to Wooster for the Thanksgiving vacation were Miss Sarah Scott, '09, of the Lowellville high school, and Walter D. Frye, '10, of the New Philadelphia schools.

The Synod of Illinois has recently voted, as did Wooster, to remain in charge of its church school, Lake Forest, rather than give it over to the care of a board not controlled by the Presbyterian church. Several of Wooster's Alumni were prominent in the proceedings.

Professor Martin L. Remp, '04, of Hastings College, Neb., in addition to the duties of the school room has been under great anxiety for some weeks past owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Remp.

Among those attending the Colorado Teachers' Association held recently in Colorado Springs were Supt. Earnest Branson, '07, and Fritz Tauesch, of Yampa, and T. H. Liggett, '10, of Westminster College, Denver.

Henro Behoteguy, '10, will this week reach his destination in Teheran, Persia, after a journey of nearly two months. He writes most entertainingly of his trip. In Paris several days were given to sight-seeing, while in many lands he has found rich experiences. He has proved an ideal traveler, and though the passage across the Atlantic was stormy, not a single sign of seasickness could be noted in the Wooster man.

Rev. G. H. L. Beeman, '92, who has recently removed from Akron to Green Castle, Ind., is meeting with much encouragement in the new field.

Rev. G. W. Simon, '98, is rejoicing in the growth of the new college opened in his city, Jamestown, N. D., last year. It now enrolls over 300 students, and the past year raised over \$150,000 in addition to the erection of several new buildings. The Presbyterian name is a very popular center with the students.

Supt. A. H. Etling, '04, of Orrville, presented a paper at the recent meeting of Stark and Wayne county teachers at Wooster on the subject of Centralization of Schools that was pronounced by those who heard it a master-piece. Mr. Etling is entering upon his seventeenth year of service in Orrville and is a large element in the life and welfare of our neighboring city.

Rev. J. C. Hanna, '88, Forest, O., has just completed extensive repairs in his church building, including the installation of a pine pipe organ, which was dedicated by Prof. J. Lawrence Erb, Nov. 6.

The Herald and Presbytery has in its last issue the following very complimentary notice concerning the word of Rev. J. A. Gordon, '82, Van Wert, O.: Nov. 13 was the twentieth anniversary of Dr. Gordon's pastorate here. During that time he has been privileged to receive into the church 750 members, of whom 400 have come by confession. More than 300 have removed, and nearly 100 have died. He has married 376 persons, and attended about 300 funerals. The church and manse have been improved from time to time. Benevolences have trebled. On Wednesday evening, Nov. 16, the congregation held a reception at the church for the pastor and his wife in honor of the twentieth anniversary, which was a delightful affair, with some unique features, including a shower of jowers, ties that bound each person to the pastor's chair, and a processional with lighted candles around the auditorium; addresses by city pastors, introduced by an address from Elder W. B. Jones; music, refreshments and a general good social time. Bouquets of twenty roses were presented to the pastor and his wife, each containing a silk purse and a double gold eagle. The pastor's response expressed his grateful and happy appreciation of all the many kindnesses shown him and his family during this long and pleasant pastorate. Seven years ago the church gave him a trip to the Holy Land, and last year a four months' leave of absence in the south-west.

W. V. Goshorn, '01, is finding the life of a newspaper man a very busy one in Gallion, O., where he is joint owner and publisher of the Gallion Inquirer, with daily and weekly editions. Mr. Goshorn finds time to enter into political life and is prominently mentioned as a candidate for the clerkship of the Ohio senate.

Prof. Clyde B. Keim, Music, '10, has a good many things over which to rejoice at the Thanksgiving season, not the least of which is a bonny baby boy, a "real southern gentleman," who has come to make his home with them. Mr. Keim has charge of the music in the celebrated Berry School at Rome, Georgia,

and enjoys it very much. The Voice will be interested in extracts from a recent letter from him:

I like my work very well, and I think it is going to be a great education for me. There certainly is a chance to make a good beginning if anyone ever had one. As you know we had Teddy here in October, and some time during this month, we will have Gov.-elect Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey, with us. These with Atlanta day, Thanksgiving day concert, the school anniversary, Christmas festivities, commencement day program, to say nothing of the two glee club trips of one week each which we are expecting to make, also a quartet trip which will cover several months next summer, besides all the class work and private lessons, and church work and other incidentals, keep me where I haven't much time to get into mischief.

While I miss very much, the social privileges which I enjoyed in Wooster, yet I feel well repaid in the training I am receiving and in the good that I may be able to do here. For not the least of lowest aim of the school is the spiritual welfare of the students and it is worth something to be connected with a work such as is being done here among the students. I had the privilege of singing for the great railroad Y. M. C. A. worker and evangelist from Penn., Mr. Sample, and to hear him say that he would like very much to take me with him on an evangelistic tour to sing for him. He seems to be one of the biggest hearted men I ever met.

AS A STUDENT SEES IT.

A rather distinctive feature of Wooster young people is their strong spirit of loyalty and enthusiasm. They agree almost unanimously that their college is far superior to most colleges and that it is their duty to keep it so. I have often heard strangers remark on the spirit with which our boys and girls enter into things. It would indeed be hard to find a college of Wooster's size where the many organizations receive such hearty student support. The Christian Associations are particularly active; in them being enrolled over half of the school. The fraternities, maintained almost wholly by students, are firmly planted here, in spite of the fact that they have many bitter enemies. As any one can prove who has read the sixty-eight names written a short time ago by an English class, college athletics does not lack the interest and help of Wooster students. Even after these organizations have been supported, there is plenty of enthusiasm left for the literary and musical societies and clubs, and even the debating team. Our young people take an interest in everything which

strengthens Wooster.

Yet, strange to say, they their faults, and one of these pecially glaring. It is practically great and small alike. Watch grave and reverend Senior oration day, as he takes his seat the back part of the room, may not see his book for a time, and you may not see it for he has had four years training in his art. Watch him throw lightning glance at his neighbor—he rises to recite in the class—but you will not hear anything more than the correct answer makes to the professor's question.

What effect does this habit of cheating have on the college? You ever noticed how efficient Wooster students are in the flunking gracefully? Last year of my professors quite lost his temper as one after another carefully answered his questions with words, "not prepared." He put his book aside, and proceeded to us one of the worst lectures we heard for a long time. What the matter with us? Matters been getting worse and worse, former years, students had almost known their lessons. The boy who failed was mortified beyond measure. We, on the other hand had to be prompted and pushed pulled before we would recite. What was the matter with us?

Now, had I not been such a Freshman, I could have answered his question. When our class entered college, most of us were faithful and conscientious as a professor could wish. We went to classes with our brains overflowing with knowledge, which, needless to say, evaporated as soon as we were called on. It was not long, however, before we began to absorb the spirit of the older students. We saw them hurrying to class with lessons unprepared, and afterwards hearing them say how lucky it was for them that Mr. So and So sat next to them or we laughed with them as they told us how completely they had flunked. We were quick to learn how to act. Some of us learned how to hide our books when no one was looking. Some of us learned the art of being almost nothing in a great multitude. The rest of us learned that flunking is a very minor matter since, if we were willing to try, we could easily save ourselves from flunking.

I hope I am not leaving the impression that I consider Wooster behind other colleges in any respect. I am sure that few colleges can equal up even to her standard of learning. Yet, for the reason that she has many good characteristics, she ought to break up this habit of cheating. When it is done away with, an entirely different atmosphere pervade the student body.

HOOVER COTTAGE.

Mrs. J. H. Lininger of Harrisville, W. Va., spent Thanksgiving with her daughters, Maud and Helen Lininger.

Last Wednesday night, the Messrs. Evans, Gray and Cornelius were guests at dinner.

The guests present at the Thanksgiving dinner at the Cottage were: Miss Mary Webber, Miss Hope Perry, Mr. J. M. Stewart and Prof. Perry of Vaughnsville.

The Misses Christine Gray, Bess Cross and Beulah Brown were dinner guests at the Cunningham Club Thursday night.

Miss Margaret Wisner, Miss Marian Miller and Mr. Perry were dinner guests Saturday night.

Miss Mary Webber of Kenton has been spending Thanksgiving vacation at the dorm.

Miss Maud and Helen Lininger accompanied by their mother, Mrs. J. H. Lininger spent Friday in Cleveland.

Since the cooks were dismissed Thursday afternoon three young ladies, namely: the Misses Beulah Brown, Hannah Harris, and Alga Mills cheerfully volunteered to be responsible for the breakfast, Friday morning. So at the hour of six, they courageously marched into the kitchen—and what was the result? In very few minutes a four course breakfast was ready for all early risers. In hopes of patronizing every one the breakfast hour continued from six fifteen until seven fifteen o'clock. Although there were not very many present, yet this was no sign that the breakfast was not a most decided success and served in the best of style.

The hare and hound chase which came off last Thursday proved to be a most exciting and exhilarating occasion. All participants from both dormitories assembled on the Hoover Cottage porch about eight forty-five a. m. There were two trails, one leading past Highland Park, and the other by way of Reddick's Dam; both trails finally winding back to the Cottage. At the signal given by Mrs. Webber who was timekeeper, the hares started at twelve minutes of nine on their respective trails; Frances Scott and Eleanor Gibbons, going to Highland Park, while Etta Hyde and Marie Bell started for Reddick's Dam. Each hare carried a bag containing small bits of paper with which to mark the trail. Ten minutes later the hounds started in full chase. Cora Lehmann as leader, followed the trail by way of Highland Park, and Beulah Brown lead on the trail towards Reddick's Dam. About an hour later the hares arrived at Hoover Cottage which was the starting point. Two or three minutes later the foremost hounds came into sight. Not one hare had been caught, in spite of the fact that two of them had to get a new supply of paper from a farm house along the trail.

Holden Hall.

Miss Sarah Scott, '09, of Lowellville, O., has been visiting her sister, Lois during Thanksgiving vacation.

Miss Blanche Frazier, ex-'02, and Miss Lucy Shryock visited Agnes Frazier during Thanksgiving.

Thanksgiving at Holden Hall this year was a time long to be remembered by the some thirty girls who were brave enough to stay or who from stress of circumstances were compelled to stay. The American Bird surely never looked more appetizing to girls and guests, nor did the fowl himself ever grace a more festive board than the one upon which he was placed in Holden Hall last Thursday. The girls had prepared themselves to do justice to the occasion by participating in a most exciting "Hare and Hound" chase. The two dormitories combined to chase and be chased, and the "Hares" were victorious in both cases, much to the chagrin of the "Hounds."

Promptly at one p. m. the bell was sounded and there ensued a lady-like rush to the dining room; a rush because each one was anxious to get the best seat on the outside of the U.

Several young men, Mr. Ellis, '10, of Western Reserve Medical, Mr. Clarence Johnson, '10, and Mr. Lester Evans, '12, were guests that day, as were also Mr. and Mrs. Jesse McClellan. The four courses were interspersed with Wooster songs, and at the close of the meal, Nina Ellis, acting as toastmistress, in a very clever and "rhythmic" way, called upon various people for toasts. The visiting gentlemen also acquitted themselves favorably at this time, and Mr. McClellan and Mrs. Walker closed the program.

In the evening Hoover Cottage joined with us in the parlors and a very pleasant evening was spent, in singing, playing, "stunts," etc. Miss Bonazzi, of Rome, Italy, who is staying at Prof. Notestein's, entertained us most delightfully with her playing and singing in Italian. Altogether the whole day was pleasantly spent, and we thought we had almost as good a time as if we could have gone home.

Congressional Club.

Congressional Club has entered upon its third year of political study with a zeal characteristic of that organization. It has been the aim of the club to study the character and workings of our national legislative body and as far as practicable put those principles into practice on the floors of the club. The members are so apportioned as to represent the interests of our nation and the leading political parties are represented by able leaders, who endeavor to uphold the fundamental principles of their respective parties in debate.

The speaker has appointed different committees, corresponding to those of our national congress, and

frequently bills are drafted and referred to these committees for consideration and reconstruction.

During the present term several topics of national importance have been discussed and bills drafted. Capital and Labor problems were studied and debated on the floors of the club and an important compulsory arbitration bill was passed after much discussion. Other prominent questions were debated and at present there is a trial of impeachment before the club.

Congressional owes much of its success to their honorary member, Dr. S. F. Scovel who has been a constant friend and counselor to the members of this organization, and whose policies have, to a great extent, shaped the course of work. Owing to Dr. Scovel's serious illness Congressional did not hold its regular meeting this week and the prayers of Congressional members go out to him in his present illness.

The members are as follows: Scott, W. B. Speaker, McSweeney, Clark, Richards, W. C.; Richards, D. N., Barton, Rosenberger, Weygandt, Reeves, Workman, Peiker and Arthur Compton.

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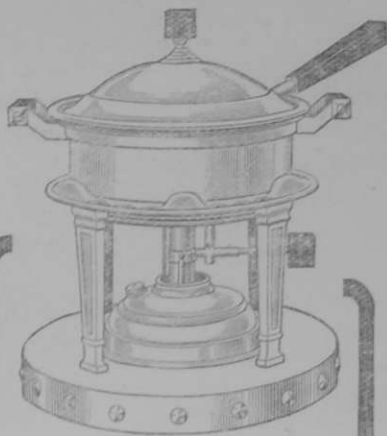
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